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HOLD OBJECTS WITHOUT DAMAGING THEM, SUCH A DEVICE AND ITS USE New Examiner/GAU: Samuel Hughes/3726; Former Examiner/GAU: Tom Hughes/3206

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## STATUS LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, District of Columbia 20231

Sir:

Applicant has been advised by a letter dated 1998, Mar 23 and mailed on 1998, Apr 8 from the PTO that the Examiner in charge of the above application has been changed. In the meantime, a response to the Office Action mailed 1997, Dec 15, was sent thru Express Mail on 1998, Apr 6 and received by the PTO precisely on 1998, Apr 8. As this response was mentioning the name and GAU of the former Examiner, applicant respectfully inquires the status of this response, in particular if this response has been forwarded to the new Examiner.

Submitted with deference

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